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**Amendments to the Claims**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the subject application:

1-3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising a polypeptide corresponding to the CD44 fragment of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier a soluble domain of CD44 protein having a molecular weight of about 14 to 17 kDa and a 16 amino acid polypeptide having an amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO:2 which is from an Antennapedia protein of a *Drosophila* fruit fly.

5-22. (Canceled)